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LD 2086

Dear Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am writing in support of LD 2086 (with the amendment) An Act to Amend the Law Governing the Disposition of Forfeited Firearms. In particular I support the bill's amendment to ban the sale of bump stocks and other devices that increase the rate of fire of semi-automatic guns to the rate of fire of machine guns. But I would be much more strongly in support of LD 2086 if it ALSO called for the ban of assault weapons.

We are all very aware that the horrible mass shooting that took place in Lewiston last October was made possible with the use of an assault weapon. We need to be doing everything we possibly can to prevent tragedies like Lewiston, and Sandy Hook, and Aurora, and Orlando, and Las Vegas, and Parkland, and Uvalde, and Colorado Springs, and Monterey Park and so many other mass shootings in our country.

No one requires an assault weapon to hunt animals or protect their home. Our highest priority should be the protection of our communities and our children. They should no longer have to live in fear of being killed with an assault weapon at their school, their local grocery store or their church. Enough is enough. The time for change is now. Please ban assault weapons now.

Thank you, Jill Linzee (New Harbor)